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Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION

Introduced by: (TRA)

AN ACT CONCERNING REGISTRATION OF ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES AND ESTABLISHING AN ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE DIVISION WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 14-381 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2013*):
- 3 Any owner required to register a snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle 4 shall apply to the commissioner and shall file evidence of ownership 5 by affidavit or document. Upon receipt of an application in proper 6 form and the registration fee, the commissioner shall assign an 7 identification number and provide the owner with a certificate of 8 registration and registration plate. The registration plate, which shall 9 be affixed by the owner, shall be displayed on the snowmobile or all-10 terrain vehicle at a place and in a manner prescribed by the 11 commissioner. In addition to such registration plate, each snowmobile 12 and all-terrain vehicle so registered shall display its registration 13 number on each side of its front section, midway between the top and 14 bottom of said front section, in letters or numbers at least three inches

in height and made of a reflective material. The certificate of registration shall be carried on such snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle and shall be available for inspection whenever such snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle is being operated. The owner shall pay a fee of twenty dollars for each snowmobile or <u>forty dollars for each</u> all-terrain vehicle so registered. Fifty per cent of each all-terrain vehicle registration fee shall be deposited in the all-terrain vehicle account established in section 2 of this act. At the time of registration of any all-terrain vehicle, the owner of such all-terrain vehicle shall pay a land purchase fee of five dollars, the proceeds of which shall be used by the All-Terrain Vehicle Division within the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, established in section 2 of this act, to purchase land specifically for use by all-terrain vehicles. Each such certificate of registration shall expire biennially on the last day of March.

Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2013*) (a) There is established an All-Terrain Vehicle Division within the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection. The division shall create and maintain all-terrain vehicle trails, assist in all-terrain vehicle law enforcement and fund grants and related activities including safety and education classes for persons who operate all-terrain vehicles.

(b) There is established an account to be known as the "all-terrain vehicle account" which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the General Fund. The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the division for the purposes of creating and maintaining all-terrain vehicle trails, assisting in all-terrain vehicle law enforcement and funding grants and related activities pursuant to subsection (a) of this section. Any moneys contained in said account not needed for the purposes of said account shall be transferred to the maintenance, repair and improvement account established in section 23-15b of the general statutes for maintaining, making improvements to, erecting structures on or repairing the property, including houses and other

48 buildings, of state parks.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2013	14-381
Sec. 2	October 1, 2013	New section

TRA Joint Favorable